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**From:** Kopocis, Ken  
**Sent:** Fri 3/20/2015 8:36:17 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Redwood City salt ponds

No. We will indeed do a thorough evaluation, and we do look at precedents. That would be our normal approach.

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From: Illston, Ted (EPW) [mailto:Ted\_Illston@epw.senate.gov]  
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2015 3:43 PM  
To: Kopocis, Ken  
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Ken:

We have been requested to make a statement about this decision.

"I hope that Senator Boxer will make a statement in support of EPA's action, and encourage that agency to conduct a thorough evaluation of the federal Clean Water Act jurisdiction over the Redwood City salt ponds, giving due deference to longstanding legal precedents."

Do you have any thoughts on this?

Thanks  
Ted

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Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2015 8:44 PM  
To: Poirier, Bettina (EPW)  
Cc: Illston, Ted (EPW)  
Subject: Redwood City salt ponds

Bettina,

Today we informed the corps that we approved placing the Redwood City salt ponds on the R9 special case list.

That means that EPA will be the deciding agency on jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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